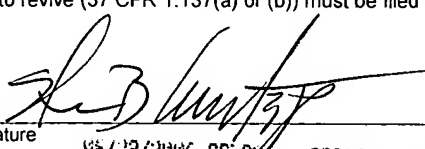


<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>		Attorney's Docket Number 2726/5 U.S. Application No. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5) <b>10/537415</b>
International Application No. PCT/EP03/11032	International Filing Date October 6, 2003	Priority Date Claimed December 2, 2002
Title of Invention <b>ROUNDED-PARTICLE PLASTIC POWDER IN PARTICULAR FOR APPLICATION IN LASER SINTERING, METHOD FOR PRODUCTION OF SUCH A POWDER AND LASER SINTERING PROCESS USING SUCH A POWDER</b>		
Applicant(s) for DO/EO/US <b>Mandy GERSCH; Frank MÜLLER; Thomas MATTES; Peter KELLER</b>		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li>2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li>3. <input type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.</li> <li>4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31).</li> <li>5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))                         <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).</li> </ol> </li> <li>6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))                         <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto.</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> </ol> </li> <li>7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))                         <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.</li> <li>d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.</li> </ol> </li> <li>8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).</li> <li>9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).</li> <li>10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).                          Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:                     </li> <li>11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98, and 8 prior art documents</li> <li>12. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Assignment document for recording. A fee and separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 are included.</li> <li>13. <input type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment.</li> <li>14. <input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.</li> <li>15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</li> <li>16. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.</li> <li>17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821-1.825.</li> <li>18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> <li>19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> <li>20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: Form PCT/RO/101 (English Translation) Form PCT/IB/306; Form PCT/IB/308; Corrected Title Page of Published International Application; International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210); International Preliminary Examination Report (PCT/IPEA/409), 4 sheets of Drawings</li> </ol>		

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21. The following fees are submitted:					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	a) Basic national fee	\$300.00	\$300.00		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	b) Examination fee	\$200.00	\$200.00		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	c) Search fee (International Search Report attached)	\$400.00	\$400.00		
<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS:</b>		<b>\$900.00</b>	<b>\$900.00</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.					
Total Sheets	Extra Sheets	Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof (round up to a whole number)	RATE		
17 - 100 =	/50 =	0	x \$250.00	\$	
Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492 (e)).				\$	
CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE		
Total Claims	(26) 64 - 20 =	44	x \$50.00	\$2,200.00	
Independent Claims	2- 3 =	0	x \$200.00	\$	
Multiple Dependent Claim(s) (if applicable)			+ \$360.00	\$360.00	
<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>				<b>\$2,560.00</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.					
<b>SUBTOTAL =</b>				<b>\$3,460.00</b>	
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492 (f)).				\$	
<b>TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =</b>				<b>\$3,460.00</b>	
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property.				\$	
<b>TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =</b>				<b>\$3,500.00</b>	
<b>Amount to be refunded:</b>				\$	
<b>Amount to be charged:</b>				\$	
a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$3,500.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed. b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. 50-0930 in the amount of \$_____ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to change any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0930. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. d. <input type="checkbox"/> Fees are to be charged to a credit card. <b>WARNING:</b> Information on this form may become public. <b>Credit card information should not be included on this form.</b> Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.					
NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the International Application to pending status. SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:					
Michael H. Baniak, Attorney for Applicant Steven B. Courtright, Agent for Applicants <b>BANIAK PINE &amp; GANNON</b> 150 North Wacker Drive, Suite 1200 Chicago, Illinois 60606 (312) 673-0360 Telephone (312) 673-0361 Facsimile			Signature  Michael H. Baniak, Steven B. Courtright Name 30,608 / 40,966 Registration Number June 2, 2005 Date		